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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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For: COMPOSITE DIGITAL WORKS HAVING
USAGE RIGHTS AND METHOD FOR
CREATING THE SAME)
) Examiner: K. Abdi
) Group Art Unit: 3621
) Attorney Docket No. 111325-87**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In supplement to the Amendment filed on April 16, 2003, please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 12, and 18-23 as follows

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1. (Currently Amended) A method for creating a composite digital work having usage rights, said method comprising:

a) creating a digital content portion of a composite digital work including a plurality of content parts; and

b) creating a description structure for said composite digital work, said description structure comprising a plurality of description blocks containing usage rights associated with at least a corresponding at least one of said content parts, said usage rights specifying a manner of use for the corresponding one of said content parts [and being interpretable by a repository to determine if access to the digital content can be granted], said manner of use indicating one or more stated purposes for which the corresponding digital content portion can be at least one of used and distributed by an authorized user; and